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"Milton Friedman said that, 'The society that puts equality before freedom will end up with neither. The society that puts freedom before equality will end up with a great measure of both.'

"As a nation we can honor the contributions of this brilliant mind by dedicating ourselves to this principle and continually reexamining the effect our government has on the freedoms that have allowed our nation to thrive. For the whole world to know and understand what it means to be free, we need more leaders, teachers, and economists like Milton Freedman."